

The Elders have been called to guide and lead the congregation in vision, mission and spiritual matters. Each elder is devoted to one dimension of the interdependent congregational life. If you have a congregational life concern, please get in touch with one of our elders.

Community: Matt Baer
Mission: Mark Schildt
Worship: Anna Groff
Administration: Fern Hieb

The Deacons have been called to serve those who participate in our congregational life together, caring for the pastoral care needs that we share. If you have a need of any sort, interest in becoming a member, interest in joining a small group, or any other issues or concerns, please contact one of the deacons or pastor:

Char Schildt
Barry Hieb
Sara Rickard Regier

Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) Unit: Shalom maintains a strong MVS unit in Tucson, housing about 5 volunteers at a time. Our volunteers come from across the nation and the globe to work with the people of Tucson for service terms of 1-3 years. Our VSers are a central part of Shalom, and are active within wider Tucson communities. Please take the opportunity to get to know our VSers during their time in Tucson.

Interested in connecting more directly? Shalom uses several email lists to carry announcements and concerns during the course of the week. You can also receive the bulletin each week, as well as minutes for congregational business. See shalommennonite.org/contact/keepintouch to sign up.

The Sermon and worship for most Sundays are available online as an audio podcast. See shalommennonite.org/worship/sermon for the latest podcast. Podcasts are generally posted Sunday PM, but may not be immediately available. Full worship services are available with a login account.

Birthday this week

Annalyn Lantz-Leppert

Oct 23

The **CROP hunger walk** will be held in Tucson on Sunday afternoon, November 1. This is an interfaith event that builds community while also making a difference locally and globally. The event is sponsored by Church World Service, but 75% of the funds we raise can be channeled to a different humanitarian organization, such as Mennonite Central Committee. The other 25% goes to the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona and Casa Maria in Tucson. We invite you to walk with us, or to make a donation. Checks should be made out to CWS/CROP. So far, the Shalom walkers are: the youth group, Tina, Don, Cathy, Barry and Fern. Any of the above will be happy to accept your donation for the CROP hunger walk.

Prayer requests from Mennonite Mission Network:

1. Mission Network partners with many agencies who have worked for decades at helping immigrants find homes and acceptance in Europe. Pray that God will use the wisdom of these agents of reconciliation and healing to help countries welcome the current wave of refugees.
2. Four Journey International participants in Indonesia are adapting to a new culture and host families. Pray for them as they receive hospitality graciously and learn how they can use their gifts for God's purposes in the coming year.

Important notice:

If you are the last person to leave the church, **please remember to make sure all lights are off and church doors are locked.** FYI, the only way to lock the front door (north) is with a key. It does not automatically lock upon closure.

To contribute information to the bulletin, please send email to bulletin@shalommennonite.org by Thursday evening. A small team prepares the bulletin each week.

October 11 th General Offering	\$3,133.00
Amount needed per Sunday per budget	\$2,220.00
General Offering Year to Date	\$32,938.00
Amount needed YTD per budget	\$33,300.00

SHALOM MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

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Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship. As a church we are committed to welcoming all persons as participants in the body, regardless of status, language, race, disability, or orientation. We are pleased to have you with us.

Bienvenidos! Gracias por acompañarnos en el tiempo de adoración. Como iglesia estamos comprometidos a darle la bienvenida a todas las personas como parte del cuerpo, sin importar su estatus social, idioma, raza, discapacidad, u orientación. Estamos muy contentos de tenerlos con nosotros.

Every Sunday we light a candle to represent our connection with our sister church, Teusaquillo, in Bogotá, Colombia.

Order of Worship

Gathering

Gathering Songs

MH 57 *Come and give thanks*

MH 483 *O God, who gives us life*

Welcome & Introductions

Passing the welcome sheets

Announcements

Call to worship and candle lighting

Leader: I will light a light in the name of the Maker, who lit the world and breathed the breath of life for me.

Leader: I will light a light in the name of the Son, who saved the world and stretched out his hand to me.

Leader: I will light a light in the name of the Spirit, who encompasses the world and blesses my soul with yearning.

All: We will light three lights for the Trinity of love:

God above us,
God beside us,
God beneath us;

The Beginning,
The End,
The Everlasting One.

Connecting

Connecting time

Scripture Genesis 1–2:4

Offertory

STJ 67 *Let there be light, Lord God*

Listening

Scripture Genesis 2:4b-23

Message *Creator creating*

Responding

Responding

Response hymn

STS 121 *Nothing is lost on the breath of God*

Community prayer

Sending

Scripture gifts for next week

Sending song

STS 122 *Let all creation dance*

Benediction

Speaker: Carol

Worship leader: Barry

Musicians: Duane, Fern

Abbreviations:

HWB: *Hymnal A Worship Book* (Blue Book)

STJ: *Sing the Journey* (Green Book)

STS: *Sing the Story* (Purple Book)

SS: Shalom Songs (Projected on screen)

Today's Schedule

10:00 a.m. – Worship (nursery staffed by Belén Siquieros)

11:00 a.m. – coffee and fellowship

11:15 a.m. – Sunday School for children and youth; 2nd hour for adults

Calendar

Oct. 18 (today) – Property commission meeting at noon

Oct. 20 – worship commission meeting

Oct. 22 – elders meeting

Oct. 25 – Jack Knox speaking at worship

Nov. 1 – All Saints' Sunday; communion

Nov. 1 -- CROP Walk for Hunger

Nov. 5 – elders meeting

Nov. 7 – work day at church (8 a.m.-noon)

Nov. 8 – Carol speaking at worship

Nov. 10 – deacons meeting

Nov. 10 – creation care group meeting

Nov. 13-15 – church campout

Nov. 22 -- international potluck

Saturday afternoons, 2-5 p.m. – use of the facility by Church of God, a Worldwide Association (COG-WA)

Announcements

If you have updates, corrections or additions for the new Shalom directory, please **send them to Joan Martin** (jdk110850@gmail.com) with the word "directory" in the subject line. Updates will be printed periodically.

Second hour topic: Oct. 4 through Nov 8 - *Reading the Bible Again for the First Time*, led by Co-pastor Tina Schlabach. During these six Sundays we will explore our relationships with the Bible, using Marcus Borg's book of the same title as an outline, as well as other resources. You may want to find a copy of this book, but having the book is not necessary for participation. You'll be invited to share your memories of reading the Bible as a child, and your discoveries and struggles with the Bible as an adult. Do we hear God's voice through the biblical story? How does that happen? Come enter into a safe space to share and to hear from others.